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Election of members of the functional commissions of the Council

Note by the Secretary-General

1. In accordance with section V of Economic and Social Council resolution 557 C (XVIII) of 5 August 1954, as amended by the Council's decision of 19 December 1968, the Secretary-General sent a note verbale to Member States in January 1993, informing them of the forthcoming vacancies in the functional commissions to be filled by the Council at its resumed organizational session for 1993, to be held on 29 and 30 April 1993.

2. Under the terms of Council resolution 1147 (XLI) of 4 August 1966, in 1993 the members of the Statistical Commission, the Population Commission, the Commission on Human Rights, the Commission on the Status of Women, the Commission on Narcotic Drugs and the Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice are to be elected on the basis of equitable geographical distribution according to a specified pattern. The Secretary-General, in the annex to his note verbale, indicated the pattern applicable to each of the commissions concerned.

3. With respect to the Commission on Narcotic Drugs, the Council, in its resolution 1991/49 of 21 June 1991, decided to increase the membership of the Commission from 40 to 53. In accordance with Council resolution 845 (XXXII) of 3 August 1961, the members of the Commission are elected (a) from among the States Members of the United Nations and members of the specialized agencies and the parties to the Single Convention on Narcotic Drugs, 1961; (b) with due regard to the adequate representation of countries which are important in the field of the manufacture of narcotic drugs and of countries in which drug addiction or the illicit traffic in narcotic drugs constitutes an important problem; and (c) taking into account the principle of equitable geographical distribution.

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4. At its organizational session for 1992, the Economic and Social Council, in accordance with General Assembly resolution 46/152 of 18 December 1991, established the Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice (resolution 1992/1). The 40 members are elected on the basis of the principle of equitable geographical distribution. They serve for a term of three years, except that for the initial period, the terms of one half of the elected members, whose names were chosen by lot, will expire after two years (see Council decision 1992/200). In addition, each Member State is requested to make every effort to ensure that its delegation includes experts and senior officials with special training and practical experience in crime prevention and criminal justice, preferably with policy responsibility in the field.

5. The composition of the functional commissions is given in the annex to the present document. The number of members to be elected to each commission from each regional group is indicated.

Annex

MEMBERSHIP OF THE FUNCTIONAL COMMISSIONS IN 1993

Statistical Commission - 24 members

(Term of four years)

Five members from African States

Ghana (1995), Kenya* (1993), Morocco (1995), Togo* (1993), Zambia* (1993)

Four members from Asian States

China (1995), India (1996), Japan (1996), Pakistan (1995)

Four members from Eastern European States

Czechoslovakia+ (1995), Poland (1995), Russian Federation* (1993), Ukraine (1996)

Four members from Latin American and Caribbean States

Argentina* (1993), Brazil (1996), Jamaica (1995), Mexico (1996)

Seven members from Western European and other States

Australia (1996), France* (1993), Germany* (1993), Netherlands* (1993), Sweden (1996), United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland (1996), United States of America (1995)

Eight members are to be elected according to the following pattern:

Three members from African States;

One member from Eastern European States;

One member from Latin American and Caribbean States;

Three members from Western European and other States.

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* Retiring member.

\+ See E/1993/2/Add.1.

Population Commission - 27 members

(Term of four years)

Seven members from African States

Botswana* (1993), Cameroon (1996), Madagascar (1995), Rwanda (1995), Sudan (1995), United Republic of Tanzania (1996), Zambia* (1993)

Five members from Asian States

Bangladesh (1996), China* (1993), Iran (Islamic Republic of)* (1993), Japan (1995), Pakistan (1995)

Three members from Eastern European States

Hungary (1996), Poland (1995), Russian Federation* (1993)

Five members from Latin American and Caribbean States

Colombia (1996), Honduras (1995), Mexico* (1993), Nicaragua (1996), Panama* (1993)

Seven members from Western European and other States

Belgium (1996), Canada (1996), France (1995), Germany (1996), Netherlands (1995), United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland* (1993), United States of America* (1993)

Nine members are to be elected according to the following pattern:

Two members from African States;

Two members from Asian States;

One member from Eastern European States;

Two members from Latin American and Caribbean States;

Two members from Western European and other States.

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* Retiring member.

Commission on Human Rights - 53 members

(Term of three years)

Fifteen members from African States

Angola (1994), Burundi* (1993), Gabon (1994), Gambia* (1993), Guinea-Bissau (1995), Kenya (1994), Lesotho (1994), Libyan Arab Jamahiriya (1994), Mauritania* (1993), Mauritius (1995), Nigeria (1994), Sudan (1995), Togo (1995), Tunisia (1994), Zambia* (1993)

Twelve members from Asian States

Bangladesh (1994), China* (1993), Cyprus (1994), India (1994), Indonesia* (1993), Iran (Islamic Republic of) (1994), Japan* (1993), Malaysia (1995), Pakistan (1995), Republic of Korea (1995), Sri Lanka (1994), Syrian Arab Republic (1994)

Five members from Eastern European States

Bulgaria (1994), Czechoslovakia*+ (1993), Poland (1995), Romania (1995), Russian Federation (1994)

Eleven members from Latin American and Caribbean States

Argentina* (1993), Barbados (1994), Brazil (1995), Chile (1994), Colombia (1994), Costa Rica (1994), Cuba (1994), Mexico (1995), Peru* (1993), Uruguay (1994), Venezuela* (1993)

Ten members from Western European and other States

Australia* (1993), Austria* (1993), Canada (1994), Finland (1995), France (1995), Germany* (1993), Netherlands (1994), Portugal* (1993), United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland (1994), United States of America (1995)

Fifteen members are to be elected according to the following pattern:

Four members from African States;

Three members from Asian States;

One member from Eastern European States;

Three members from Latin American and Caribbean States;

Four members from Western European and other States.

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* Retiring member.

\+ See E/1993/2/Add.1.

Commission on the Status of Women - 45 members

(Term of four years)

Thirteen members from African States

Algeria (1996), Côte d'Ivoire (1994), Egypt* (1993), Ghana* (1993), Guinea-Bissau (1996), Madagascar (1995), Nigeria* (1993), Rwanda (1994), Sudan (1996), Uganda* (1993), Zaire (1994), Zambia (1995), Zimbabwe* (1993)

Eleven members from Asian States

Bangladesh (1994), China (1995), Cyprus* (1993), India* (1993), Indonesia* (1993), Iran (Islamic Republic of)* (1993), Japan (1996), Malaysia* (1993), Pakistan (1995), Philippines (1994), Thailand (1996)

Four members from Eastern European States

Belarus (1996), Bulgaria (1994), Czechoslovakia+ (1995), Russian Federation (1994)

Nine members from Latin American and Caribbean States

Bahamas* (1993), Chile (1995), Colombia (1996), Cuba (1996), Ecuador* (1993), Jamaica* (1993), Mexico (1994), Peru (1995), Venezuela (1995)

Eight members from Western European and other States

Australia (1996), Austria (1996), Finland (1995), France (1996), Italy (1994), Netherlands (1994), Spain (1995), United States of America (1994)

Thirteen members are to be elected according to the following pattern:

Five members from African States;

Five members from Asian States;

Three members from Latin American and Caribbean States.

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* Retiring member.

\+ See E/1993/2/Add.1.

Commission on Narcotic Drugs - 53 members

(Term of four years)

Eleven members from African States

Egypt (1995), Gabon (1995), Gambia* (1993), Ghana* (1993), Lesotho (1995), Libyan Arab Jamahiriya* (1993), Madagascar (1995), Morocco (1995), Nigeria (1995), Senegal* (1993), Tunisia (1995)

Eleven members from Asian States

China* (1993), India (1995), Indonesia* (1993), Iran (Islamic Republic of) (1995), Japan* (1993), Malaysia* (1993), Pakistan (1995), Philippines (1995), Republic of Korea (1995), Syrian Arab Republic (1995), Thailand (1995)

Six members from Eastern European States

Bulgaria* (1993), Czechoslovakia+ (1995), Hungary* (1993), Poland (1995), Russian Federation* (1993), Yugoslavia (1995)

Eleven members from Latin American and Caribbean States (Ten seats and the seat rotated between the Asian States and the Latin American and Caribbean States)

Bahamas* (1993), Bolivia (1995), Chile (1995), Colombia* (1993), Ecuador* (1993), Jamaica (1995), Mexico* (1993), Nicaragua (1995), Peru (1995), Uruguay (1995), Venezuela (1995)

Fourteen members from Western European and other States

Australia* (1993), Belgium* (1993), Canada (1995), France (1995), Germany (1995), Italy (1995), Netherlands (1995), Norway (1995), Spain* (1993), Sweden* (1993), Switzerland (1995), Turkey (1995), United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland* (1993), United States of America (1995)

Twenty members are to be elected according to the following pattern:

Four members from African States;

Four members from Asian States;

Three members from Eastern European States;

Four members from Latin American and Caribbean States;

Five members from Western European and other States.

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* Retiring member.

\+ See E/1993/2/Add.1.

Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice - 40 members

(Term of three years)

Twelve members from African States

Burkina Faso* (1993), Gabon* (1993), Ghana (1994), Guinea-Bissau* (1993), Libyan Arab Jamahiriya* (1993), Madagascar (1994), Malawi* (1993), Nigeria (1994), Sierra Leone (1994), Tunisia* (1993), Uganda* (1993), Zaire* (1993)

Nine members from Asian States

China (1994), Indonesia (1994), Iran (Islamic Republic of) (1994), Japan* (1993), Malaysia* (1993), Philippines (1994), Republic of Korea (1994), Saudi Arabia* (1993), Sri Lanka* (1993)

Four members from Eastern European States

Bulgaria (1994), Hungary* (1993), Poland (1994), Russian Federation* (1993)

Eight members from Latin American and Caribbean States

Bolivia (1994), Costa Rica* (1993), Cuba* (1993), Dominican Republic* (1993), Nicaragua (1994), Paraguay (1994), Peru (1994), Uruguay (1994)

Seven members from Western European and other States

Australia (1994), Austria* (1993), Finland* (1993), France (1994), Germany* (1993), Italy (1994), United States of America (1994)

Twenty members are to be elected according to the following pattern:

Eight members from African States;

Four members from Asian States;

Two members from Eastern European States;

Three members from Latin American and Caribbean States;

Three members from Western European and other States.

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* Retiring member.